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Honorable Stanfield Turner Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

In compliance with our principal legislative oversight responsibility, the Committee on Armed Services is now making its plans for the annual review of our national defense posture and the Department of Defense budget for fiscal year 1980. As has been the custom in recent years, we have commenced those hearings with testimony from the Director of Central Intelligence presenting a worldwide intelligence assessment, and we plan a similar schedule early in 1979.

Accordingly, we would like to schedule your appearance before the committee for that purpose on Thursday, January 25, 1979, beginning at 10:00 a.m., in Room 2118, Rayburn House Office Building. The committee will be prepared to go into executive session at such times as classified national security information is under consideration.

The committee staff will be in contact with your office to work out the arrangements.

Sincerely,

Melvin Price

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